

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
) MURS 4407 AND 4544
Motions to Quash, Motion to Modify)
Subpoena, Requests for Extensions)
of Time, Contingent Suit)
Authority)

CERTIFICATION

I, Marjorie W. Emmons, recording secretary for the Federal Election Commission executive session on May 19, 1998, do hereby certify that the Commission decided by a vote of 4-0 to take the following actions with respect to MURS 4407 and 4544:

1. Deny the motions to quash submitted by President Clinton, Vice President Gore, the Clinton/Gore '96 Primary Committee, Inc., and Joan Pollitt, as treasurer, the Clinton/Gore '96 General Committee, Inc., and Joan Pollitt, as treasurer, the Democratic National Committee, Harold Ickes, William Knapp, Peter Knight, Terrence McAuliffe, Leon Panetta, Marius Penczner, Mark Penn, Hank Sheinkopf, Douglas Shoen, Doug Sosnik, Robert Squier, Betsy Steinberg, George Stephanopoulos, the November 5 Group, Inc., Squier Knapp Ochs Communications, Inc., and the Executive Office of the President;

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2. Modify the subpoenas to limit the request for information to refer only to communications which reference a clearly identified candidate, and direct the General Counsel's office to include an explanation that demonstrates that reference to an individual by office or by pictorial reference or similar types of references would be a reference to a clearly identified candidate;
3. Grant the motion to modify as set out in recommendation number 2 of the General Counsel's May 4, 1998 memorandum to the Commission;
4. Grant in part the requests for extensions submitted by President Clinton, Vice President Gore, the Clinton/Gore '96 Primary Committee, Inc., and Joan Pollitt, as treasurer, the Clinton/Gore '96 General Committee, Inc., and Joan Pollitt, as treasurer, the Democratic National Committee, Harold Ickes, William Knapp, Peter Knight, Terrence McAuliffe, Leon Panetta, Marius Penczner, Mark Penn, Hank Sheinkopf, Douglas Shoen, Doug Sosnik, Robert Squier, Betsy Steinberg, George Stephanopoulos, the November 5 Group, Inc. and Squier Knapp Ochs Communications, Inc, and direct the movants to respond to the subpoenas within twenty days of the mailing of the notifications;
5. Approve the appropriate letters as recommended in the General Counsel's May 4, 1998 memorandum to the Commission;

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6. Grant the Office of Office of General Counsel contingent suit authority to file suit to enforce subpoenas in MURs 4407 and 4544 against any respondent or witness who fails to comply with them.

Commissioners Aikens, Elliott, McDonald, and Thomas voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioner McGarry was not present.

Attest:

5-21-98
Date

Marjorie W. Emmons
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Secretary of the Commission